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Cattle on Feed

Iowa: There were 840,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on June 1, 2006, down 6 percent from May 1, 2006, and down 4 percent from June 1, 2005. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 470,000 head on feed, down 5 percent from last month but up 8 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 370,000 head on feed, down 7 percent from last month, and down 16 percent from last year.

Placements during May totaled 69,000 head, a decrease of 22 percent and 20 percent from last month and last year, respectively. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 51,000 head, down 20 percent from last month and 7 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 18,000 head. This is down 28 percent and 42 percent from last month and last year, respectively.

Marketings for May were 119,000 head, up 16 percent from last month, but down 2 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 74,000 head, up 12 percent from last month and up 1 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 45,000 head, up 22 percent

from last month, but down 8 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 5,000 head.

United States: Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.2 million head on June 1, 2006. The inventory was 4 percent above June 1, 2005 and 5 percent above June 1, 2004. This is the second highest June 1 inventory since the series began in 1996.

Placements in feedlots during May totaled 1.91 million, 14 percent below 2005 and 19 percent below 2004. Net placements were 1.80 million. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 440,000, 600-699 pounds were 370,000, 700-799 pounds were 503,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 600,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.17 million, 9 percent above 2005 and 7 percent above 2004.

Other disappearance totaled 115,000 during May, 20 percent above 2005 and 46 percent above 2004.

All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Cattle on Feed, May 1, 2006	495	400	895
May Placements	51	18	69
May Marketings	74	45	119
May Other Disappearance	2	3	5
Cattle on Feed, June 1, 2006	470	370	840

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month,
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots ¹**

State	Cattle on Feed June 1			Placements during May			Marketings during May			May Disappearance other than Slaughter ²		
	2005	2006	'06 as % of '05	2005	2006	'06 as % of '05	2005	2006	'06 as % of '05	2005	2006	'06 as % of '05
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	331	341	103	32	29	91	29	27	93	2	6	300
CA	515	535	104	82	80	98	62	70	113	5	5	100
CO	970	1,030	106	165	175	106	150	185	123	15	20	133
ID	245	230	94	61	37	61	54	47	87	2	5	250
IA	435	470	108	55	51	93	73	74	101	2	2	100
KS	2,280	2,400	105	510	415	81	465	520	112	25	25	100
NE	2,050	2,120	103	360	340	94	480	520	108	20	20	100
NM	127	135	106	30	25	83	16	21	131	1	1	100
OK	325	345	106	86	76	88	64	70	109	2	1	50
SD	186	195	105	28	33	118	38	34	89	4	4	100
TX	2,890	2,960	102	750	590	79	480	520	108	10	20	200
WA	137	141	103	26	20	77	34	30	88	2	1	50
Oth Sts	280	285	102	38	42	111	52	52	100	6	5	83
US	10,771	11,187	104	2,223	1,913	86	1,997	2,170	109	96	115	120

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. ² Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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